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Inventors: Biddle *et al.*
Our Ref: 0942.4600003/RWE/FRC

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2. Listing of the cited documents on Form PTO-1449 (6 sheets);
3. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
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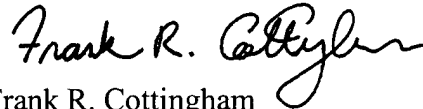
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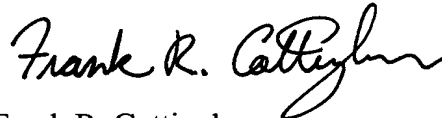
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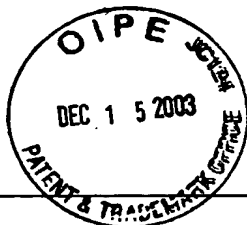
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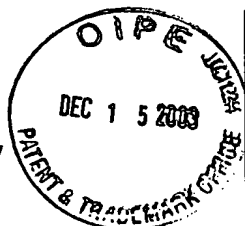
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